

Day 1: a. English functions.

• In English, we have:

close → ^{sing}this ^{pl}these
far → that those

- A demonstrative is a word that demonstrates/emphasizes/points out something.
 - It is associated with direction and location.
- Usage in English:

1. On its own → pronoun. Ex. - Hold on to this.
- Look at that!
- What on earth is this?
2. With a noun → adjective. Ex. - These markers are green.
- Take those books off the bookshelf.

b. Latin Forms

	Singular				Plural		
nom	hic	haec	hoc	hi	hae	haec	
gen	huius	huius	huius	horum	harum	horum	
dat	huic	huic	huic	his	his	his	
acc	hunc	hanc	hoc	hos	has	haec	
abl	hōc	hāc	hōc	his	his	his	
	masc	fem	neu	masc	fem	neu	
	Translation: "this"			Translation: "these"			

• Usage in Latin

1. On its own - pronoun

Ex. "hoc spectat!" "Look at this!"

Ex. Hic est vir bonus "This is a good man"

2. With a noun - adjective

Ex. hic vir "this man"

haec navis "this boat"

hoc animal "this animal"

Nota bene: when used as an adjective, hic/haec/hoc must agree with the noun in case, gender, number

Day 2: Translating hic, haec, hoc

1. On its own → pronoun → must agree with the word it replaces/connects to in CASE and NUMBER. This is how you can tell what word it replaces.

Ex. Pons flumen Potomac transit.

Note the following two sentences:

A. Hic longus est.
m sing
"This is long."

Hic replaces pons: both are masc sing.

"This is long."

Pons, pontis is a masculine noun.

flumen, fluminis is a neuter noun.

B. Hoc est caeruleum.
n sing
"This is blue."

Hoc replaces flumen: both are neuter sing.

• Translating as a pronoun:

• Masc/Fem

"this one"

"these ones"

• Neuter

"this thing"

"these things"

→ "haec tibi dico"
"I say these things to you"

Ex. Vides hominem? Huius vultus est turpis.

Do you see the man? The face of this one is ugly.

• Hic, haec, hoc as a pronoun has flexibility in translation, especially when it replaces words for people.
- You may use "this one's", "his", "this man's", "this guy's", etc.

2. As an adjective → just like regular adjectives in Latin, hic, haec, hoc as an adjective must agree in CASE, GENDER, NUMBER.

Ex.

◦ Sing.

nom hic vir • this man (subj.) • this + noun
gen huius viri • of this man • of + this + noun
dat huic viro • to/for this man • to/for + this + noun
acc hunc virum • this man (d.o.) • this + noun
abl hoc viro. ———

◦ plural

nom hi viri • these men (subj.) • these + noun
gen horum virorum • of these men • of + these + noun
dat his viris • to/for these men • to/for + these + noun
acc hos viros • these men (d.o.) • these + noun
abl his viris ———

◦ Prepositional phrases: Function just the same as regular prep. phrases.

in hoc viro → in this man → prep. + this + noun
ad hunc virum → to this man → prep. + this + noun